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REQUEST FOR TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith is an Amendment in response to the Official Action dated August 5, 2003. Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Official Action dated August 5, 2003 for two months from November 5, 2003 to January 5, 2004.

The extension fee of \$420.00 should be charged to our Visa credit card. Form PTO-2038 is enclosed. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 04-1133.

Respectfully submitted,

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